



FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
June 29, 2025

Worship Online at 11:00am Sunday Mornings

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ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

As prophets' lips cleansed by coals, as disciples' heads anointed by flame, as apostles' paths lit by the Spirit, O Holy One, fill us with fervent desire to enter your kingdom and lead us by the example of Christ to live your way of love, now and forever. Amen.

WELCOME

Visitors and members are encouraged to fill out the attendance folder located on the center aisle of each pew and pass it to those seated along the pew.

PRELUDE "Adagio cantabile"

Beethoven

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Please rise in body or in spirit for the Call to Worship:

Jesus said, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people."

Lord, we want to follow and gather your people.

Jesus said, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

Lord, we want to follow you; show us our cross.

Jesus said, "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also."

Lord, we want to follow you that we may serve you.

***HYMN OF PRAISE – No. 41 "O Worship the King"**

(Please be seated.)

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, we confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbor. We have not seen your image in other people and have allowed other things than love to guide our actions. We confess, too, Lord God, that we do not do the things you call us to do. Jesus still calls, “Follow me,” and we offer excuses why we cannot. Jesus calls us to transformed, abundant life, and we cling to our old habits and tired traditions. God of grace, forgive our sins. Open our ears and hearts to hear and answer Jesus’s call.

(A time of silent prayer.)

KYRIE

**Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI – No. 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from “A Declaration of Faith”

We are certain that Jesus lives. He lives as God with us, touching all of human life with the presence of God. He lives as one of us with God. Because he shares our humanity and has bound us to himself in love, we have an advocate in the innermost life of God. We declare that Jesus is Lord. His resurrection is a decisive victory over the powers that deform and destroy human life. His lordship is hidden. The world appears to be dominated by people and systems that do not acknowledge his rule. But his lordship is real. It demands our loyalty and sets us free from the fear of all lesser lords who threaten us. We maintain that ultimate sovereignty now belongs to Jesus Christ in every sphere of life. Jesus is Lord’ He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord.

THROUGH CHILDREN’S EYES

Nic Luter

*All children are invited to come to the Chancel steps.
Afterward, young children may remain or proceed to the nursery.
Worship bags are available beside the entrance to the Sanctuary.*

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 16

Pew Bible Page No. 853

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SECOND LESSON

Luke 9:51-62

Pew Bible Page No. 1611

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE TO THE WORD – NO. 587 “Alleluia!”

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SERMON “The Choice to Follow...or Not”

Rev. Rebecca Luter

RESPOND TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please remember those on our prayer list.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “Take Up Thy Cross” arr. Howard Helvey

*DOXOLOGY – NO. 606

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of grace, with gratitude we offer our time, talent, and money and pray that you would dedicate them serve in your name those whose hearts yearn for love, those whose stomachs yearn for food, and those whose spirits long for

community to bear the burdens of life. Through us, complete the work Jesus began and fully realize your Beloved Community. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

*HYMN - No. 726 “Will You Come and Follow Me” Verses 1, 2, & 5

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING FORTH HYMN No. 295 “Go to the World” Verse 2

Go to the world! Go into every place. Go live the word of God’s redeeming grace. Go seek God’s presence in each time and space. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE “Rondo in C Minor” Beethoven

*Stand as able. **Bold Type** – congregation in unison

Presbyterian Outlook, 2025 Liturgy, written by Philip K. Gladden and provided for free distribution.

Participating in the service today:

Rev. Rebecca Luter, Pastor

Jim Thrash, Director of Music

Tom Bryant, Accompanist

Davis Howe, Interim Youth Director

Tom Moots, Liturgist

Nic Luter, Children’s Moment

Paula Patterson and Mike Colley, Ushers



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AND RECORDED. ATTENDEES
IMPLICITLY AGREE THAT THEY AND
ANY CHILDREN ACCOMPANYING
THEM MAY BE ON CAMERA.

Welcome IN THE NAME OF JESUS, THE CHRIST

We hope that you will sense the presence of the Holy Spirit in this place and find here a place that feels like home. We are grateful for the visitors and friends of the Farmington family who add to our community each week.

Need more information? Want to sign up for something? Looking for the livestream of worship? Go to our website: www.farmingtonpres.org

Need to give us information? Want to ask a question? Looking for assistance with signing up? Email us at: church@farmingtonpres.org

How do I join the church? Members are received by Profession of Faith, Reaffirmation of Faith, and Transfer of Membership from another congregation. If you are interested in joining, please let Rev. Rebecca know or email church@farmingtonpres.org. We look forward to officially welcoming you into the Farmington Presbyterian Church family!

Prayer Concerns and Pastoral Care You are encouraged to complete a Prayer Concern card in the pew rack to add someone to the church's prayer list. Copies of the complete list are available in the folder under the Prayer Board in the office. You may reach Rev. Rebecca Luter at (901)674-8000 or rluter@farmingtonpres.org.

Happenings AT FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN

Flowers The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God in celebration of the ordination of Paul King to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament.

Coffee in the Narthex After worship this morning, you are encouraged to enjoy a cup of coffee and fellowship in the Narthex.

Youth Fellowship Sunday evenings the youth meet in the Youth Room from 5:30-7:30 pm for a time of fellowship, games, faith-building, and food. Friends are welcome! This will be our last Sunday night meeting until August, but we will have additional gatherings. Please email Davis@farmingtonpres.org to be notified of upcoming events.

Sunday School Classes Sunday School Classes for all ages except youth (6th-12th grades) are on Summer Break until August 3rd.

Youth Sunday School Youth (6th-12th grades) meet in the Youth Room at 10am. Interim Youth Director Davis Howe leads this class; we are currently studying Wendy Farley's *The Thirst of God*.

Coming Up

Guest Preachers Mr. Tom Sauer will be preaching next Sunday, July 6. Tom served Farmington Presbyterian during the Summer of 2023 while Rev. Luter was on sabbatical. Rev. Ruth Lovell Bradham will be preaching Sunday, July 13. Ruth previously served Farmington as Associate Pastor, and she and her husband, Bo, are active participants in the Farmington family.

Announcements

Church Emails Each week, a Sunday email is sent with the link for online worship, the Happenings, and the Prayer List. In addition, a Mid-Week email is regularly sent with reminders and the New Vision newsletter is sent monthly. If you are not receiving church emails, and would like to, please email church@farmingtonpres.org and let us know.

2025 Fellowship Coffee Sign up to host Fellowship Coffee on our website under "Sign-ups" or in the church office to provide refreshments following

worship on a 3rd Sunday. You may sign up to provide either something sweet or something savory.

2025 Flower Calendar Giving flowers for worship is a way to remember those we love and celebrate significant moments in our lives. You may sign up on our website under “Sign-ups” or on in the church office.

Food Pantry Collection Farmington collects food pantry items for the Oakland Presbyterian Church Food Pantry. Canned meats, vegetables, pasta sauce, peanut butter, etc. can be dropped off in the basket by the West entrance of the church.

Bulletin Mailing List If you would like to be added to or removed from the weekly mailing of the bulletin, please email us at church@farmingtonpres.org and let us know.

Gathered to Worship...Sent to Serve In response to God’s blessings and to support what God is doing through the Farmington family, you can make your offering through the website, using a checking account, or mail your offering to Farmington Presbyterian Church, 8245 Farmington Boulevard, Germantown, TN 38139.

This Week at Farmington The Ordination to Word and Sacrament of Paul King by the Presbytery of the Mid-South was hosted by Farmington Presbyterian Church. Thank you to all who participated and who helped with the Worship Service and Reception. May God bless Rev. Paul King and First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, MS as they serve in ministry together.

Remember in Prayer Our Farmington Family, Session and Staff; Jackie Baker, Hank Baron, Kevin Beard, Elsie Black, Jeanne Carr, Deni Carroll, Judith Cassidy, Jim Collins, Mark Fisher, Chelsea Moyer Fitzpatrick, Joe Gaul, Betzabet Guzman, Rob Hall, Bill Harrington, Martha Hart, Pam James, Chris and Sabrina Johnson, Bill Jones, Bill Knight, Iris Lawing, Annette Main, Sara Millar, Bill Novic, Nancy & Dennis Palmer, Pat Register, Bill Renfrow, Caitlin Shirazee, JoAnne Simpkins, Molly Smith, William Stevens, Jon Still, Kasi Wann, Frank Whited, Reggie Wilson, and from our Presbytery: Buntyn Church, Memphis, TN Church Administrators, Educators, Musicians, Recreation Directors.

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